



**MINUTES OF
ALAMEDA YOUTH ADVISORY COMMISSION
MEETING FOR March 9, 2010**



DATE: Tuesday, March 9, 2010
TIME: 5:08 p.m.
PLACE: Room 360, City Hall, corner of Santa Clara Avenue and Oak Street,
Alameda, CA 94501

1. ROLL CALL

Present: Chairperson Anjuli Sastry, Commissioners Hannah Bowman, Lamont Carter, Samantha Chin, Jordan Flores, Ellen Hui, and Vice-Chairperson Bhaani Singh (Late)

Absent: Commissioners McCaulay Singer Milnes and Angela Sterling-Vick.

Staff: Patrick Russi, Recreation Supervisor (RS)
Andy Wong, Teen Coordinator (TC)

2. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes of February 9, 2010, Youth Advisory Commission Meeting

M/S/C Carter / Flores (Approved)

“That the Minutes of February 9, 2010 Youth Advisory Commission meeting are approved.”

Approved (4): Chairperson Anjuli Sastry, Commissioners Lamont Carter, Samantha Chin, and Jordan Flores.

Absent (3): Vice-Chairperson Bhaani Singh (Late). Commissioners McCaulay Singer Milnes, and Angela Sterling-Vick.

Abstention (2): Commissioner Hannah Bowman and Ellen Hui

3. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, AGENDA

RS Russi reminded the Youth Commission to promote and outreach other high school students in Alameda to apply for the Commission. There are currently two vacancies on the Commission, and the next year, there will be more due to graduations. RS Russi stated that both he and TC Wong had spoken to other Alameda Organizations about teens applying to become Youth Commissioners.

4. WRITTEN COMMUNICATIONS

None

5. New Business

- A.** Discussion of upcoming Alameda Recreation and Park Dept. (ARPD) events:
(Spring Egg Scramble, Earth Day, Sand Castle / Sand Sculpture Contest)
(Discussion / Action Item)

T/C Wong informed the Youth Commission of the upcoming events to see if they were interested in helping, attending, and being visible at the events. At the events, they can monitor the kids at the jumpers/bouncy houses, arts and crafts area, promote and recruit for the Youth Commissions.

Commissioners Hannah Bowman and Ellen Hui are interested in assisting at the Spring Egg Scramble, on March 27th, at Crab Cove.

Commissioner Samantha Chin is interested in assisting at the Earth Day Event, on April 17th, at Washington Park.

Upcoming ARPD events.

M/S/C Chin / Flores (Approved)

“That the Youth Commission will assist at the upcoming ARPD events.”

Approved 6): Chairperson Anjuli Sastry, Commissioners Bowman, Carter, Chin, and Flores, and Hui.
Absent (3): Vice-Chairperson Bhaani Singh (Late). Commissioners Singer Milnes, and Sterling-Vick.

- B.** Discussion of upcoming ARPD, Teen Program events:
(Teen Talent Show, Spring Break Trips, Friday Night Lights)
(Discussion / Action Item)

T/C Wong informed the Youth Commission of the upcoming AYC Teen events. The Youth Commission was asked if they could help promote them. Talent Show is scheduled for Friday, April 2nd, and Friday Night Lights at Leydecker Park is schedule for May 21st.

M/S/C Chin / Flores (Approved)

“That the Youth Commission will assist promoting upcoming AYC/Teen events.”

Approved 6): Chairperson Anjuli Sastry, Commissioners Bowman, Carter, Chin, and Flores, and Hui.
Absent (3): Vice-Chairperson Bhaani Singh (Late). Commissioners Singer Milnes, and Sterling-Vick.

- C.** Discussion of June 8th, Youth Commission Meeting - Change of Meeting Location
(Discussion / Action Item)

T/C Wong informed the Youth Commission of the meeting location change on the June 8th due to 2010 Election preparations. Commissioner Flores and Carter suggested having the meeting at the ARPD office.

M/S/C Flores / Carter (Approved)

“That the Youth Commission will change meeting location for the June 8th meeting to be held at the ARPD office.”

Approved (7): Chairperson Anjuli Sastry, Vice-Chairperson Bhaani Singh, Commissioners Bowman, Carter, Chin, and Flores, and Hui.
Absent (2): Commissioners Singer Milnes, and Sterling-Vick.

6. UNFINISHED BUSINESS (Discussion / Action Item)

A. Discussion of Season on Nonviolence Theme and Speech Contest (Discussion / Action Item) Chin

Commissioner Chin stated that this year's theme is “How you can make Alameda safe.” She also stated that Alameda Science and Technology Institute is working on getting more of their students involved with the speech contest. Commissioner Flores stated that there was a poster promoting the speech contest at Island High School. R/S Russi requested that Commissioners continue to promote the Contest, “word-of-mouth” is the best promotion/advertisers. More details to follow at next meeting.

B. Report on Updating Community Service Opportunity Resources (Discussion / Action Item) Sterling-Vick, Singer Milnes

Discussion postponed due to both Youth Commissioners Sterling-Vick and Singer Milnes being ill.

C. Teen Job Search Workshop (Discussion / Action Item) Carter

Commissioner Carter stated that this year's Teen Job Search Workshop will be held on Thursday, May 6th, at the Alameda Free Library. This year, there is an additional section to the workshop, which includes a brief tutorial on what to do with their first paycheck. T/C Wong and R/S Russi invited the Youth Commission to attend the next planning meeting on April 17th, both Commissioners Carter and Flores expressed interest in attending the next planning meeting.

7. ORAL COMMUNICATIONS, GENERAL

Chairperson Sastry announced an upcoming fundraiser and light vigil for the Haiti disaster. A collection of funds will be taken at Lower Washington Park on Friday, March 26, 2010, from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

T/C Wong stated that the next Alameda Youth Speaks will be Wednesday, March 10th, from 4:00 PM through 6:00 PM, at the Veterans Bldg. (Commissioner Carter stated that he will attend.)

T/C Wong stated that the planners of the AYC Talent Show are searching for teen talent, and requested the Youth Commission to spread the word. This year's event will be on Friday, April 2nd, 2010, at the Veterans Building from 6:00 PM – 9:00 PM.

8. Next Meeting Date

Tuesday, April 13, 2010; 5:00 PM (City Hall, Room 360)

9. Adjournment 6:05 PM